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E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: PORG, UR SUBJECT: PRAVDA ARTICLE ON BELGRADE NAM FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. AUGUST 2 PRAVDA CARRIES TASS BELGRADE REPORT ON JUST CONCLUDED WORK OF CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES. REPORT EMPHASIZES THE POSITIVE BUT ALSO DWELLS ON ATTEMPTS BY "SATELLITES" OF WASHINGTON OR PEKING TO INTRODUCE DIFFICULTIES INTO THE MEETING. EXAMPLES, ACCORDING TO TASS, INCLUDED 1) ATTEMPT BY ZAIRE, EGYPT, AND SOMALIA TO OPPOSE HOLDING THE NEXT NAM MEETING IN HAVANA, AND 2) ATTEMPT BY KAMPUCHEA TO "UNDERMINE THE POSITION AND AUTHORITY" OF VIETNAM. LATTER EFFORT WAS REPORTEDLY OPPOSED BY CUBA, AFGHANISTAN, ANGOLA, BENIN, AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

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2. TASS SAYS THAT "IN GENERAL" THE CONCLUDING POLITICAL DECLARATION OF THE BELGRADE MEETING EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF UNITY OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES AND OF DEEPENING DETENTE AND EXTENDING IT TO ALL AREAS OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND ALL REGIONS OF THE WORLD. END UNCLASSIFIED.

3. COMMENT: EMBASSY HAS NOT YET SEEN BELGRADE MEETING'S "POLITICAL DECLARATION," BUT FRG EMBASSY HAS TOLD US IT CONTAINED NEGATIVE REFERENCE TO "HEGEMONISM." AT LEAST IN PRELIMINARY REPORTING, SOVIETS HAVE MADE NO MENTION OF THIS, BUT WE DO NOT EXPECT THEM TO REMAIN SILENT OVER THIS NEW USE OF A WORD WHICH HAS COME TO SYMBOLIZE PRC OPPOSITION TO MOSCOW'S GREAT POWER POLICIES. TOON

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